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the 19 villages of the Coondapur taluk referred to and therefore a special allotment for this purpose in the Community Project Budget is not considered necessary."

SRI Y. MANJAYA SHETTY :—" As it is our experience that unavoidable delay is being caused in getting petty schemes sanctioned by Government and this in turn results in delaying in pushing through those schemes, will the Government consider the desirability of investing these Executive Officers with power to sanction schemes costing not more than Rs. 10,000? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, I do not like delegating powers of sanction too much. Hon. Members are requested by me earnestly to assist us in maintaining order in our accounts. It is dangerous for us to grant executive officers wide powers of sanction. We do not delay matters. So far as the Community Project schemes are concerned I know they are being sanctioned quickly and expeditiously. Complete transfer of responsibility is not desirable in the interests of the officers themselves."

Opening of an experimental section in Government Textile Institute, Madras.

* 115 *Q.*—SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state the action taken by the Government regarding the recommendation made by the Madras Handloom Committee in its meeting held on 4th August 1952 that an experimental section should be opened in the Government Textile Institute for the purpose of evolving designs suited to the tastes of the consuming public and passing them on to the handloom weavers for adoption?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The recommendation of the Madras Handloom Committee for opening an experimental section in the Government Textile Institute is under the consideration of the Government."

SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH :—" How long will the Government take to arrive at a decision? It is already seven months old."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" We shall try to arrive at a decision very soon."

Cloth designing section in Government Textile Institute.

* 116 *Q.*—SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the research cloth designing section was started in the Government Textile Institute ;

(*b*) what amount has been spent during the last five years on establishment of that section ;

(*c*) what was the travelling allowance spent by the research designers during the last five years ;

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(*d*) how many designs have been evolved, how many of them have been selected by the Madras State Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society and how many have been adopted by the handloom weavers; and

(*e*) whether the samples of the designs evolved by the research cloth designing section will be placed on the table of the House?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) In March 1944.

" (*b*) Rs. 21,046.

" (*c*) Rs. 1,518.

" (*d*) About 423 designs were evolved during the past five years 1947–52. Of these 220 designs were given to the Madras State Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society. During the tours of the Research Designers they have noticed many of the designs and slightly modified designs being adopted by the Society. The exact number of designs adopted by weavers is not known.

" (*e*) The samples which are many are likely to be damaged in handling if placed on the table of the House. These may be seen at the Textile Institute any day by previous arrangement with the Principal."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Are these designs being adopted to-day by the handloom weavers?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" As I already said in answer to clause (*d*), about 220 designs were given to the Madras State Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society. During the tours of the Research Designers, it was found that many of the designs were being adopted with slight modifications." 9-20 a.m.

SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH :—" What is the nature of the designs, plain or other patterns?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI G. NAGABHUSHANAM :—" Sir, are these designs sent to all the districts for promotion of handloom industry?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI S. NARAYANAPPA :—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to tell the House whether these designs are supplied to all the private weavers in the State?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I understand that at present they are given only to the State Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society. I shall look into the question and see if they can be given to the private weavers also."